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RAJYA SABHA

The following Bill was introduced in the Rajya Sabha on the 9th August, 1977:—

BILL No 5 of 1977

A Bill to amend the Betwa River Board Act, 1976.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Twenty-eighth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Betwa River Board (Amendment) Act, 1977. Short title.

(63 of 1976. 2. In section 4 of the Betwa River Board Act, 1976 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), in sub-section (3), for clauses (a) and (b), the following clauses shall be substituted, namely:—

“(a) where the same Union Minister is not in charge of both Irrigation and Power, the Union Minister in charge of Power or such Minister or Deputy Minister in the Union Ministry or Department in charge of Power as may be specified in this behalf by the Union Minister in charge of Power;

(b) the Chief Ministers of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh; and

(c) the Ministers of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh in charge of Finance, Irrigation and Power.”.

3. In section 7 of the principal Act, in sub-section (1), after the proviso, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:—

“Provided further that the Central Government may, with the concurrence of the Governments of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar

Amend-
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section 4.

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section 7.

Pradesh, appoint an officer of the Central Government as the Financial Adviser.”.

Amend-
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section 10.

4. In section 10 of the principal Act,—

(a) in clause (a), after the words “Rajghat Dam and appurtenant works”, the words and brackets “and for the generation of power at Rajghat Dam, including the construction of a power house (hereinafter referred to as the Rajghat Power House) near the dam and appurtenant works” shall be inserted;

(b) in clause (d), after the words “Rajghat Dam” the words “and the Rajghat Power House” shall be inserted.

Amend-
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section 11.

5. In section 11 of the principal Act, in sub-section (1), in clause (ii), for the words “Rajghat Dam including appurtenant works”, the words “Rajghat Dam and Rajghat Power House including appurtenant works and on the generation of power at Rajghat Dam” shall be substituted.

Amend-
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section 12.

6. In section 12 of the principal Act, in sub-section (2), in clause (b), for the words “and the regulation of Rajghat Reservoir”, the words “, the regulation of Rajghat Reservoir and the generation of power at Rajghat Dam” shall be substituted.

Amend-
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section 13.

7. In section 13 of the principal Act, in sub-section (2), in clause (c), for the words “Rajghat Dam and appurtenant works”, the words “Rajghat Dam, the Rajghat Power House and appurtenant works” shall be substituted.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Betwa River Board Act, 1976, was enacted to provide for the establishment of a Board for the creation of a reservoir at Rajghat by construction, on behalf of the Governments of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh, of a dam on the Betwa river at Rajghat. The Rajghat Dam Project, as then envisaged, was intended to be a project for providing irrigation facilities only. It has since been decided that generation of power should also form an integral part of the project. It is, therefore, proposed to amend the Act to alter the composition of the Board so as to include therein the Union and the Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh Ministers in charge of Power and amplify the functions of the Board so as to include within the Rajghat Dam Project generation of power also.

2. To meet situations in which suitable officers of the Governments of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh are not available for appointment as Financial Adviser to the Board, it is proposed to avail of the present opportunity to amend section 7 of the Act to provide that the Central Government may, with the concurrence of the Governments of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh, appoint an officer of the Central Government as the Financial Adviser to the Board.

3. The Bill seeks to achieve the above objects.

SURJIT SINGH BARNALA.

NEW DELHI;

The 1st August, 1977.

FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

The amendment proposed in clause 2 of the Bill seeks to include in the Betwa River Board, *inter alia*, the Union Minister in charge of Power. The amendments proposed in clause 4 of the Bill seek to add to the functions of the Betwa River Board. As a result, the project report to be prepared by the Betwa River Board will have to cover also the construction of a power house at the Rajghat Dam and appurtenant works. Further, the Board will also have to undertake the construction of the Rajghat Power House and appurtenant works.

2. The expenditure regarding travelling and daily allowances which may be incurred by the Union Minister in charge of Power will have to be borne by the Central Government from out of the approved budget of the concerned Department or Ministry. This expenditure, which will be of a recurring nature, will depend upon the number and duration of the meetings of the Board and the places at which such meetings are held. It is not likely to exceed Rs. 2,500 per annum. Expenditure in connection with the preparation of project report and the construction of the Rajghat Power House and appurtenant works will be met by the Board from out of the funds made available for the purpose by the Governments of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh and it is not possible to give an estimate of this expenditure at this stage.

3. The Bill does not involve any other expenditure of a recurring or non-recurring nature.

S. S. BHALERAO,
Secretary-General.

